

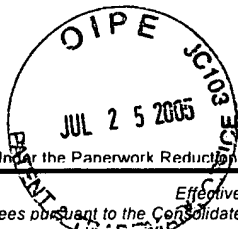
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| | | Application Number 10/614,755 | Filed 07/07/2003 |
| | | For Hollow Tie Railroad Switching Assembly | |
| | | Group Art Unit 3617 | Examiner Frantz F. Jules |
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| First Named Inventor | Kevin McQuistian |
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| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | |
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| Multiple dependent claims | 360 | 180 |

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